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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:  
JORG THOMMES ET AL.

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Application No.: 10/661,086

Group Art Unit: 1723

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Examiner: Ernest G. Therkorn

Title: Method of Purifying Polypeptides By Stimulated Moving Bed Chromatography

**ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the requirement for restriction and election dated June 6, 2005, and is timely filed as it is accompanied by a request for an extension of time to file in the first month along with the requisite fee.

**I. ELECTION**

In response to the requirement for restriction and election mailed June 6, 2005, the applicants elect **without traverse** Group I, claims 1-8, 19, 22, 24-28 and 30, directed to a method of separating an immunoreactive compound from a fluid mixture using simulated moving bed chromatography.

In response to the requirement that the applicants elect a species of ligand, the applicants elect Protein A.

In response to the requirement that the applicants elect a species of immunoreactive compound, the applicants elect antibodies (broadly defined on page 7 of the application).

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## II. IN CONCLUSION

If the examiner identifies any points that he feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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